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TEXT OF GDR/CANADIAN COMMUNIQUE AT HELSINKI AUGUST 1 IS
AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT - FOLLOWING AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON DEC 22,
1972, AND JANUARY 3, 1973 AND SUBSEQUENT NEGOTIATIONS, THE
GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GERMAN
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC HAVE ISSUED THE FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE:

DESIRING TO DEVELOP RELATIONS BETWEEN CANADA AND
THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
AIMS AND PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER, THE
GOVERNMENTS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES HAVE AGREED TO ESTAB-
LISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AS
OF AUGUST 1, 1975 AND TO EXCHANGE DIPLOMATIC REPRE-
SENTATIVES WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY
AND PLENIPOTENTIARY AT A MUTUALLY CONVENIENT TIME.

THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL APPLY
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THE PROVIISIONS OF THE VIENNA CONVENTION ON DIPLOMATIC

RELATIONS OF APRIL 18, 1961 TO THE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN ANDA AND THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC.
ON THE BASIS OF RECIPROCITY THE TWO GOVERNMENTS WILL
FACILITATE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THEIR MISSIONS IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AGREE THAT, FOLLOWING THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, CONSULTATIONS
SHALL BEGIN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ON THE QUESTION OF
TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND THE
POSSIBLE NEGOTIATION OF A TRADE AGREEMENT. THEY ALSO
AGREE TO OPEN TALKS AT AN EARLY STAGE ON CONSULAR AND
RELATED MATTERS, SUCH AS CITIZENSHIP, TRAVEL AND
ASSOCIATED HUMANITARIAN QUESTIONS, BEARING IN MIND
PARTICULARLY THE TERMS AND SPIRIT OF THE HELSINKI
FINAL ACT OF AUGUST 1, 1975.

FURTHER TALKS WILL BE HELD ON OTHER MATTERS OF
JOINT INTEREST AT MUTUALLY CONVENIENT TIMES. END TEXT.
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